



IDEM Permit Guide

Welcome to the IDEM Permit Guide

About this Guide

This plain English guide can help you identify environmentally related permits or approvals that you must obtain or requirements that may apply to your new business or expansion projects. The guide will help you learn where you can find additional information and who you should contact with questions regarding environmental regulatory requirements. The guide also addresses some compliance and policy issues, such as open burning, lead-based paint disposal, and fugitive dust.

It can also serve as an educational resource for individuals, citizen groups, or those in public service wishing to better understand the IDEM permitting process or find out what types of permits or approvals their business neighbors may be required to have.



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- Permitting for Construction Site Storm Water Runoff
- Wetlands, Wetland Mitigation, and IDEM Water Quality Certification
- Other Regulated Activities in or Near Streams, Lakes, and other Wetland Areas (InDNR permits)
- Water and Sewer Main Extensions
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- Lead-Based Paint Abatement Business - Licensing Requirements
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Other (Non-IDEM-Issued) Environmental Approval Issues

Provides lists of other environmental permits and contact information...

Other IDEM Permitting-related Information

- PDF (Portable Document Format) Questions with Answers
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- Permitting Fees

Specific Topics

Specific permitting topics addressed in detail...

- **Obtaining a Permit to Dredge or to Place Dredge or Fill Materials within Wetlands or Other Water Bodies**
Public notice requirements for permits relating to dredging / filling projects.
- **Print any Page of this Guide"**
The entire IDEM Permit Guide, or each of the various sections of the guide, available as "printer-friendly" pdf files.
- **Search IDEM's Guides**
Searches the Permit Guide and "IDEM's Guide for Citizen Participation" simultaneously.
- **IDEM Permitting Contact List**
- **Questions & Comments**
Use this online form to ask a question or send us your thoughts on how we can make the Permit Guide even better.

Disclaimer

This permit guide is intended to provide background information which should be useful in planning for a particular project that may require an environmental permit. It does not substitute for consultation with the appropriate regulatory agency and/or the appropriate rules or statute.